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Official meetings

Monday, 30 January 2012

Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . Consultations of the whole (closed) . . . . . Consultations Room GA-TSC-02

UNMISS (S/2011/678)

1988 Committee report

Other matters

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

1. Final performance report of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea (UNMEE)
2. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia (UNOMIG)
3. Budget performance of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 (MINURCAT)
4. Executive meeting

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General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Sixth session

Organizational Committee

10 a.m. Informal meeting (closed) . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

Morning[1]–1 p.m. 1st meeting . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

Provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda (PBC/6/OC/1)
2. Draft report of the Peacebuilding Commission on its fifth session (PBC/5/OC/L.1)
3. Election of the Chair and other officers
4. Other matters

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the informal meeting.

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2012 regular session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 1st meeting . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

1. Election of officers . . . [1]
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (E/C.2/2012/1) . . . [2]
3. Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat . . . [5]

4. Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations, and Council decision 1995/304 [6]

5. General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network [8]

6. New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification (E/C.2/2012/R.2, E/C.2/2012/R.2/Add.1–18 and E/C.2/2012/R.3) [3 (b)]

3–6 p.m. 2nd meeting Conference Room 1 (NLB)

New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification (E/C.2/2012/R.2, E/C.2/2012/R.2/Add.1–18 and E/C.2/2012/R.3) [3 (b)]

[Background information on the Committee, its procedures, forms and documentation, are available on the Web site of the NGO Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs <www.un.org/ecosoc/ngo/>. Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions. Delegations and participants attending the session are encouraged to carry their laptops and tablet devices to avail themselves of ePublish and print-on-demand services through the Integrated Sustainable PaperSmart Services (ISPS) Secretariat.]

Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Office for Project Services, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women and the World Food Programme

Joint meeting 2012

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 1st meeting Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Middle-income countries: The role and presence of the United Nations for the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals [1]

Chair:

President, Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS
H.E. Mr. Mårten Grunditz, Permanent Representative of Sweden

Introductory remarks:

Dr. Babatunde Osotimehin, Executive Director, UNFPA

Guest speakers:

H.E. Mr. Ertuğrul Apakan, Permanent Representative of Turkey

Mr. Abdel Malek Achergui, Head, Division of the United Nations System for Development, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, Morocco

Professor Ravi Kanbur, T.H. Lee Professor of World Affairs, International Professor of Applied Economics, Professor of Economics, Cornell University

Mr. Diego Palacios, Representative, United Nations Country Team, Mexico (via video conference)

Discussion

3–6 p.m. 2nd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Least developed countries: United Nations' collaborative contribution to the implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action . . . . . [2]

Chair
President, Executive Board of UN-Women
H.E. Mr. Kim Sook, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Korea

Introductory remarks
Mr. Jan Mattson, Executive Director, UNOPS

Guest speakers
Mr. Pasi Hellman, Deputy Director-General, Department for Development Policy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Finland

Mr. Sandagdorj Erdenebileg, Acting Director, Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States

Mr. Steven Miller, Consultant in employment policies, The New School

Discussion

[Documents for the joint meeting can be consulted on the Web at the following address: <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_59925.html>.

Economic and Social Council

Commission for Social Development

Informal consultations

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Mainstreaming disability in the development agenda", under item 3 (b) (i) of the provisional agenda of the fiftieth session of the Commission, convened by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines, will take place on *Monday, 30 January 2012*, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. Conference Room B (NLB).

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Poverty eradication", under item 3 (a) of the provisional agenda of the fiftieth session of the Commission, convened by the Permanent Mission of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, will take place on *Monday, 30 January 2012*, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D (NLB).

Other meetings

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Monday, 30 January 2012

Group of 77 (on the Commission on Social Development)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D (NLB)

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Monday, 30 January 2012

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Programme of work

Since the issuance of the revised programme of work and schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly (A/INF/66/3/Rev.1), the following changes have been made:

Agenda items 12 (Global road safety crisis), 34 (Prevention of armed conflict) and its sub-item (a) (Strengthening the role of mediation in the peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution), 35 (Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development) and 39 (The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan), originally scheduled for Monday, 12 December 2011, will be considered at a later date in the resumed part, to be announced.

The specific meeting focused on development, to be held under agenda item 117 (Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit), pursuant to resolution 60/265, has been postponed from Friday, 18 November 2011, to a date in the resumed part, to be announced.

Additional scheduling of items or changes in the programme of work will be announced in the *Journal* and on the Web site of the General Assembly <www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/66schedule.shtml>.

General Assembly

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Informal briefings

The Department of Field Support and the Department of Peacekeeping Operations will provide informal briefings, to members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, as follows:

Tuesday, 31 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB): on the global field support strategy; and environment; and

Thursday, 2 February 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB): on helicopters; gap list; and expanding the base of troop-contributing countries.

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty

Fourth session

The fourth session of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty will be held from Monday, 13, to Friday, 17 February 2012, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). The provisional agenda is contained in document A/CONF.217/PC.IV/L.1.

Participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary, Mr. Sergei Cherniavsky (e-mail cherniavsky@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Lists of delegations can also be delivered to the Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch (IN-611) and during the session to room NL-1033D.

Web site

Official documents, background information and other materials on the ATT process can be found at <www.un.org/disarmament/convarms/ATTPrepCom/index.htm>. For inquiries concerning the Web site, please contact the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (e-mail conventionalarms-unoda@un.org).

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations
2012 substantive session

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will hold its 2012 substantive session from Tuesday, 21 February, to Friday, 16 March. The opening meeting will take place on Tuesday, 21 February, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 51/136, "those Member States which become personnel contributors to United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chair of the Committee, become members at the following session of the Committee". Member States wishing to submit such a request should address the request in advance of the session to the Chair of the Special Committee, H.E. Mrs. U. Joy Ogwu (Permanent Mission of Nigeria (fax 1 (212) 697-1970)) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the Secretariat (e-mail herity@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Member States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that are interested in sending observers to this session of the Special Committee should send a request to the Chair of the Special Committee, H.E. Mrs. U. Joy Ogwu (Permanent Mission of Nigeria (fax 1 (212) 697-1970)) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat (e-mail to herity@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Pre-session documents

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document A/AC.121/2012/L.1. The report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Special Committee has been issued in documents A/66/619 and A/66/619/Add.1 and has been posted on the Web site of the Special Committee <https://www.c34.unlb.org>. Other documents of the session will also be posted on the site.

List of participants

Members and observers of the Special Committee that will attend the session and wish to be included on the list of participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Special Committee, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room IN-613C, fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

List of speakers

The opening of the list of speakers for the general debate (21–22 February) will be announced in due course. In light of the limited time available, in accordance with past practice, delegations are encouraged to limit their statements to *10 minutes* when speaking in their national capacity and to *20 minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group of countries. In order to facilitate interpretation, delegations are kindly requested to provide at least 30 copies of statements to the secretariat. Delegations wishing to have their statements distributed in the conference room should provide an additional 200 copies.

Web site

Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee Members and observers on the Web site of the Committee <https://www.c34.unlb.org>. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or

inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Sixth session

Guinea-Bissau configuration

An informal meeting of the Guinea-Bissau configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Wednesday, 1 February 2012, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

Economic and Social Council
Briefing

The Economic and Social Council will hold a special briefing followed by an interactive discussion on the current economic and financial situation, on Tuesday, 7 February 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB). The special briefing will be chaired by the President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Miloš Koterec (Slovakia). Keynote speakers are Professor Peter Diamond, Professor of Economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and 2010 Nobel Economics Laureate; Professor Carmen Reinhart, Senior Fellow at the Peterson Institute for International Economics; and Professor Jagdish Bhagwati at Columbia University and Senior Fellow in international economics at the Council on Foreign Relations. The interactive discussion will be moderated by Mr. Robert Vos, Director of the Development Policy and Analysis Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs. All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Makiko Tagashira (e-mail tagashira@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4836).

Commission for Social Development

Informal consultations

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Mainstreaming disability in the development agenda", under item 3 (b) (i) of the provisional agenda of the fiftieth session of the Commission, convened by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines, will take place on Tuesday, 31 January 2012, from 10 to 11.30 a.m., in Conference Room E (NLB).

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Preparation for and observance of the twentieth anniversary of the International Year of the Family", under agenda item 3 (b) of the provisional agenda of the fiftieth session of the Commission, convened by the facilitator, Mr. Ahmad Azzi (Qatar), will take place on Tuesday, 31 January 2012, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

Fiftieth session

The fiftieth session of the Commission for Social Development will be held from Wednesday, 1, to Friday, 10 February 2012. The opening meeting will take place on Wednesday, 1 February, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB). The provisional

annotated agenda and the proposed organization of work are contained in document E/CN.5/2012/1. Further information on the fiftieth and previous sessions of the Commission is available at the following address: <http://social.un.org/index/CommissionforSocialDevelopment/Sessions/2012.aspx>.

Participation and seating arrangements

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Radhika Padayachi, of the composition of their delegations (e-mail padayachi39@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Delegations should contact the secretariat regarding their accessibility requirements, at the earliest (e-mail doultonf@un.org).

General discussion and list of speakers

General discussion under agenda item 3 (a) (Priority theme: poverty eradication) will begin on Wednesday, 1 February 2012, following the opening of the session. For further details, please consult the programme of work in Annex I to document E/CN.5/2012/1.

The list of speakers is open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list should inform Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that according to past practice, statements made by individual Member States should not exceed *seven minutes*, statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*, and statements made by observers should not exceed *five minutes*.

Delegates are requested to bring 250 copies of statements for general distribution or at least 30 copies for distribution to conference services. Delegates are also requested to provide an electronic version of their statement to lamrabat@un.org, so that statements could be made available on the Web site of the Commission.

Participation of non-governmental organizations

Comprehensive information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission can be found at the following address: <http://social.un.org/index/CivilSociety/NGOParticipation/CSocD50Session.aspx>.

List of side events

To consult the list of side events on the occasion of the fiftieth session of the Commission, please *click here*.

Commission on the Status of Women

Informal briefings

The Chair of the Commission on the Status of Women, H.E. Ms. Marjon V. Kamara (Liberia), will brief representatives of non-governmental organizations on preparations

for the fifty-sixth session of the Commission on the Status of Women, on Thursday, 2 February 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

The Chair of the Commission on the Status of Women, H.E. Ms. Marjon V. Kamara (Liberia), will hold an informal briefing to provide updates on the preparations for the **fifty-sixth session of the Commission on the Status of Women, on Tuesday, 14 February 2012, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The briefing will be followed by** a presentation of the draft agreed conclusions by the Vice-Chair of the Commission, Mr. Carlos García (El Salvador). All interested delegations, representatives of non-governmental organizations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

Fifty-sixth session

The fifty-sixth session of the Commission on the Status of Women will be held from Monday, 27 February, to Friday, 9 March 2012. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 27 February, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall. The provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.6/2012/1 and E/CN.6/2012/1/Add.1, respectively.

Additional information on the work of the Commission, including on the participation of non-governmental organizations and the list of parallel events, can be found on the following Web site: <www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw/56sess.htm>.

List of participants and seating arrangements

Members of the Commission and observers who wish to attend the session and be included on the list of participants, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; room IN-0603C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Due to the *limited seating available* in Conference Room 4 (NLB), where the Commission will be meeting from Tuesday, 28 February, only those observers (including Member States that are not members of the Commission) who will inform the Secretary of the Commission of the composition of their delegations, *by 3 p.m. on Thursday, 23 February 2012,* will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 4 (NLB). All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

High-level round table

The Commission will hold a high-level round table on the priority theme "The empowerment of rural women and their role in poverty and hunger eradication, development and current challenges", on Monday, 27 February 2012, at 3 p.m., in two parallel meetings. Delegations are kindly requested to communicate the name of the senior official expected to participate in the high-level round table to the Secretary of the Commission (c/o Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org; room IN-0603B; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

List of speakers and general discussion

The list of speakers will be opened on Monday, 6 February 2012. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list should inform Ms. Catalina de Leon accordingly (e-mail leonc@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). The name and functional title of the speakers would be appreciated.

The general discussion under agenda item 3 (Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century") will begin on Monday, 27 February 2012, in the morning, following the ceremonial and organizational part and keynote presentations, and will continue on Tuesday, 28 February, in the afternoon, and on Wednesday, 29 February, in the morning (for more details, please consult the organization of work in document E/CN.6/2012/1/Add.1).

Delegations are reminded that, according to past practice, statements made by individual delegations should not exceed *five minutes*; statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*.

In order to facilitate interpretation into all official languages, delegations are requested to bring 250 copies of statements for general distribution or at least 30 copies for distribution to conference services.

Statistical Commission
Forty-third session

The forty-third session of the Statistical Commission will be held from Tuesday, 28 February, to Friday, 2 March 2012. The opening meeting will take place on Tuesday, 28 February, at 10.30 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.3/2012/1 and E/CN.3/2012/L.1, respectively.

Delegations wishing to attend the session and to be included in the list of participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Jullyette Ukabiala (c/o Ms. Francine Leong (e-mails leong@un.org and ukabiala@un.org; room IN-0606 A; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)). Further information on the session can be obtained on the Web site of the Commission <http://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/commission.htm>; or by contacting Ms. Sabine Warschburger, Statistics Division (e-mail warschburger@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4297).

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
First regular session 2012

The 2012 first regular session of the Executive Board of UNICEF will take place from Tuesday, 7, to Friday, 10 February 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2012/1.

Advance documentation for the session is available on the following Web site: <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_59924.html>. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to send their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (e-mail jpiccolominigeary@unicef.org; fax 1 (212) 326-7096), *no later than Thursday, 2 February 2012*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
First regular session 2012

The first regular session 2012 of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will be held from Wednesday, 1, to Friday, 3 February 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2012/L.1.

Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (marcela.romero@undp.org).

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Working Group of the General Assembly on the Reform of the Human Rights Treaty Bodies" (under agenda item 124) (convened by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation)

Tuesday, 31 January 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (at the ambassadorial level)

Wednesday, 1 February 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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UNITAR Workshop on "Funding for United Nations operational activities for development: Key trends and issues" (organized in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of Switzerland, as part of the UNITAR Series on the Quadrennial Comprehensive Policy Review (QCPR))

Wednesday, 1 February 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

[The Workshop is open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. To register, please visit <www.unitar.org/event/ny/>. For further information, please contact Mr. Felix Haass, UNITAR (e-mail felix.haass@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021).]

Briefing for Member States on "The revised modalities of the universal periodic review (Human Rights Council)" (organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights)

Wednesday, 8 February 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

[The briefing is open to all permanent missions. For further information, please contact Ms. Laila Bourhil, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York (e-mail bourhil@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0646 or 1 (917) 767-4440).]

UNITAR Workshop on "Key issues for negotiating the arms trade treaty" (organized in collaboration with the Office of the Permanent Observer of the African Union and the Permanent Mission of Australia)

Friday, 10 February 2012, from 9.45 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 1.30 to 6 p.m., at the Office of the Permanent Observer of the African Union (305 East 47th Street, 5th Floor).

[All are invited to attend. To register, please visit <www.unitar.org/event/ny/>. For further information, please contact Mr. Felix Haass, UNITAR (e-mail felix.haass@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021).]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in Room DC2-1142, in English, on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Official Document System (ODS) (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Monday, 30 January 2012; and

Tuesday, 7 February 2012.

Introduction to United Nations documentation (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 2 February 2012.

Foreign law research (from 3 to 5 p.m.)

Thursday, 2 February 2012.

Security Council documentation (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 9 February 2012;

Thursday, 23 February 2012; and

Wednesday, 22 February 2012 (*in Spanish*).

Introduction to the Map Collection (from 3 to 4.30 p.m.)

Tuesday, 21 February 2012; and.

Thursday, 23 February 2012.

News resources for the United Nations community (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Tuesday, 28 February 2012.

Friends of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS) for the commemoration of the thirtieth anniversary of the opening for signature of the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS)

The Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, will hold a second closed meeting to discuss preparations for the commemoration of the thirtieth anniversary of the opening for signature of the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, on Thursday, 2 February 2012, from 2.30 to 3.30 p.m. in the DOALOS Conference Room (DC2 Building, 4th Floor). All interested representatives of permanent missions to the United Nations are invited to attend.

United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, 2012

Applications for the 2012 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands, from Monday, 9 July, to Friday, 17 August 2012, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 10 February 2012*.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in French this year. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme Web site <www.un.org/law/ilfp>; or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

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